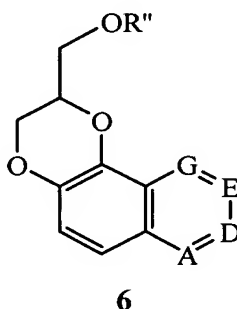


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims**

Claims 1 to 40 (*cancelled*)

41. (*original*) A method of preparing a compound of Formula 6



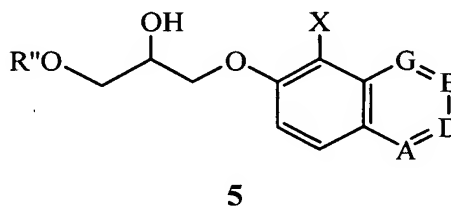
R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, cyano, carboxamido, carboalkoxy of two to six carbon atoms, alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanoyloxy of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino in which each alkyl group has 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanamido of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or alkanesulfonamido of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

A and D are selected from carbon substituted by R<sup>1</sup> and nitrogen, provided that at least one of A and D is nitrogen;

E and G are carbon, substituted by R<sup>1</sup>; and

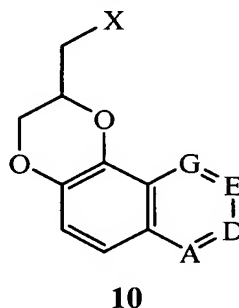
R'' is benzyl or substituted benzyl,

comprising the step of cyclizing a compound of Formula 5



with palladium or copper catalyst.

42. *(original)* The method of Claim 41 wherein the catalyst is a palladium catalyst.
43. *(original)* The method of Claim 41 wherein A is nitrogen and D is carbon.
44. *(original)* A method of preparing a compound of Formula 10



wherein

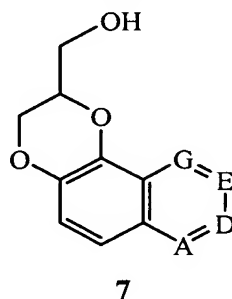
R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, cyano, carboxamido, carboalkoxy of two to six carbon atoms, alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanoyloxy of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino in which each alkyl group has 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanamido of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or alkanesulfonamido of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

A and D are selected from carbon substituted by R<sup>1</sup> and nitrogen, provided that at least one of A and D is nitrogen;

E and G are carbon, substituted by R<sup>1</sup>; and

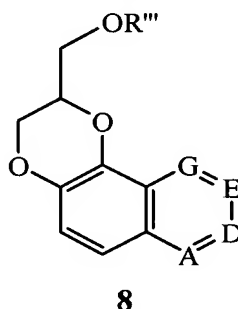
X is I, Cl or Br:

comprising activating compound of Formula 7



to halide with a standard halogenating reagent.

45. *(original)* The method of Claim 44 wherein the halogenating agent is halophosphorous.
46. *(original)* The method of Claim 44 wherein the halophosphorous is phosphorous triiodide, phosphorous tribromide or phosphorous pentachloride.
47. *(original)* The method of Claim 44 wherein A is nitrogen, and D is carbon.
48. *(original)* A method of preparing a compound of Formula 8



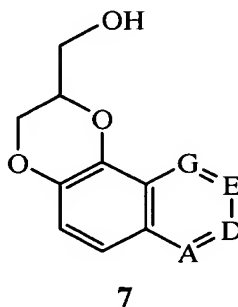
wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, cyano, carboxamido, carboalkoxy of two to six carbon atoms, alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanoyloxy of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino in which each alkyl group has 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanamido of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or alkanesulfonamido of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

A and D are selected from carbon substituted by R<sup>1</sup> and nitrogen, provided that at least one of A and D is nitrogen;

E and G are carbon, substituted by R<sup>1</sup>; and

R''' is an aryl- or alkyl- sulfonate;

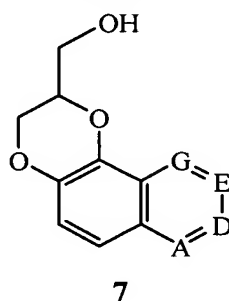
comprising activating the hydroxy moiety of the compound of formula 7



with aryl or alkyl sulfonyl chloride or with aryl or alkyl sulfonic anhydride in the presence of a base.

49. *(original)* The method of Claim 48 wherein A is nitrogen and D is carbon.

50. *(original)* A method of preparing a compound of Formula 7

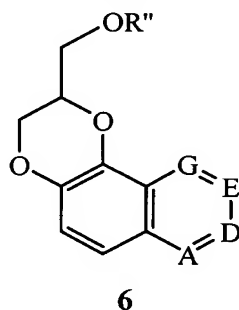


wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, cyano, carboxamido, carboalkoxy of two to six carbon atoms, alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanoyloxy of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino in which each alkyl group has 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkanamido of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or alkanesulfonamido of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

A and D are selected from carbon substituted by R<sup>1</sup> and nitrogen, provided that at least one of A and D is nitrogen; and

E and G are carbon, substituted by R<sup>1</sup>;

comprising debenzylating a compound of Formula 6



where R'' is benzyl or substituted benzyl.

51. *(original)* The method of Claim 50 wherein A is nitrogen, and D is carbon.

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